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NOTES

A better tone prevailed on 'Change yesterday, shares in no less than six companies changing hands, viz., New Pinafore, 6d; Mount Farrell, 1s 11d; Colonel North, 5d; Hercules, 12s; Tasmanian Copper, 7s 3d; and Mount Bischoff, at £25 5s, £25, and £25 2s 6d. In gold stock, Tasmanias had a further set back, being offered at 13s 3d without support. New Pinafores, East Tasmanias, and New Wyengattas all had enquiry, at 5d, 3d, and 6d respectively. Oonahs keep about 1s 1d, while Colonel Norths had firm buyers at 4½d. Devons could have been placed at 9d, and South Hercules at 7d. North Mount Farrels were asked for at 20s, sellers wanting 6d more. Buyers of Primrose and Tasmanian Coppers offered 6s 3d and 7s 1d, and advanced to 1s 8d for North Tasmanian Coppers. Pioneers improved, and were wanted at £7. Briseis Extendeds were supported at 85s, and Briseis at 9s. Garibaldis were wanted at 5d, seller coming down to 8d. Mutual Hills and Pioneer Extendeds were both offered at late rates, the best declared buyers offering 3s and 2s 6d.

Mr Robert Gardner consigned 25 tons of tin to Sydney by the Wakatipu yesterday, and the Mount Bischoff T.M. Company shipped three tons; total, 28 tons.

While Briseis tin shares closed quietly upon trade in Melbourne on Monday at 9s 3d, Brothers' Home brought 6s, and advanced rates ruled for small lots of Briseis Extended scrip and Pioneer tin stock.

In the course of the last month the outlook of crudes from the Broken Hill Proprietary mine amounted to 49,381 tons. This improvement was largely the result of the higher pressure of compressed air maintained by the new air compressor. At the "blind" shaft work was principally confined to cutting portion of the plat at the 1300ft level and timbering. Sinking has been resumed, and the shaft deepened to 112ft below the 1200ft level. The Stewart is now 169ft below the 1000ft level, while the Delprat shaft is down 91ft below the 1200ft level. At the zinc plant the improved results recently reported are being maintained, 7716 tons of concentrates having been produced. A new "independently" fired superheater is being installed for heating the solution, and yet more effective work is expected.

Returns to hand of 14 tons 16cwt of ore shipped from the main workings at the Mackintosh mine averaged 84.8oz silver and 62 per cent. lead per ton, for a net return of £17 per ton, which is highly satisfactory.

Mr J. J. Long, manager of the Copper Creek mine, arrived at the claim on Monday, and (says the "N.W. Post") knocked off the men for a fortnight, owing, it is thought locally, to the mine being floated. The contractors have driven 110ft off the cross-cut, and expect to strike the lode in about another 30ft. The prospects are distinctly encouraging.

CORNWALL COAL

HALF-YEARLY MEETING.

The half-yearly meeting of the Cornwall Coal Company was held on Tuesday afternoon, Mr D. Ritchie presiding over a fair attendance of shareholders.

The directors' report for the half-year was read, and showed that the transactions of the company for the period had been very satisfactory. The trade of the company had increased considerably, with the results that the profits were larger than hitherto. During the current half-year it was the intention of the directors to install an electric fan to improve the ventilation of the workings; when this was completed the mine would be one of the best equipped in the Commonwealth.

The mine manager (Mr D. Brough) reported: During the half-year work has been carried on continuously, and a large output of excellent coal maintained. The main heading has not been driven during this term, but is still a considerable distance ahead of the main workings, which proves the existence of a large field of coal for future supplies. The system of working the mine has been changed from the board and pillar to the long wall; all the coal is now being taken out, instead of about half, as under the former system. The present method will greatly lengthen the life of the mine, besides giving better ventilation to the workings. Ventilation is good throughout the mine. Plant and brake-wheel are in good working order. Wire Rope and Chains.—The old rope, which has been working for a period of 14 years, is now too much worn for any longer service, and has been replaced by the new one, which has been in stock for a few months. Haulage Plant.—The electric haulage plant has proved very successful since its installation, and the easy means of its locomotion adds greatly to the increase of output. This is in good working order. Loopline is in good working order. Incline Tramway.—Electric haulage and other roads are all in good working order.

The financial statement showed that the sales of coal had totalled £10,188 18s 1d while the expenditure included £3664 3s 4d on mine account, £265 8s 6d cartage, £153 2s 6d leases, £191 4s 1d office, £181 3s 8d wages at depot, and £3993 2s 7d freight on coal per rail and £20 5s 6d shipping freight. The working account showed a balance to credit of £1475 1s 1d.

The chairman moved the adoption of the reports and balance-sheet, and said the output of coal had been much larger than usual, especially to Hobart. The mine was now well equipped, and the directors hoped that dividends would be more regular in future. A sixpenny disbursement would be payable on November 27.

Mr C. H. F. Shearn seconded the motion, which was carried.

Votes of thanks were passed to the chairman and the legal manager (Mr T. Barnard).

MOUNT FARRELL

The west lode has been improving lately as driven on in the south drive from the north main cross-cut, and the face now shows 3ft of a formation, there being one nice-looking vein of firsts, 3in thick, while the balance is fair milling ore. On the main lode a drive is being extended south from the winze on a make of ore at a point about 40ft below the surface. This occurs in the big quartz body, and is about 3ft wide at present. It carries bunches and veins of firsts with good milling ore, and looks very encouraging as far as driven on. Driving is also being continued on the west lode from the south workings, and a considerable improvement is noticeable in this direction, where the formation is about 4ft wide, carrying seams of galena and generally being fairly good milling throughout the full width.

EMU BAY RAILWAY

The following ore has been carried over the Emu Bay Company's line during the month of October, viz.: Magnet company: Gossan to Zeehan, 424.95 tons; gossan to Burnie, 130.25 tons; sulphide to Burnie, 141.50 tons. North Mount Farrell: To Burnie, 288.05 tons. Mackintosh: To Burnie: 15.40 tons. Montana company: To Burnie, 202.30 tons. Oonah company: Pyrites to Burnie, 208 tons. Tasmanian Copper company (Ring River): To Burnie, 40.10 tons; to Zeehan, 1009.40 tons. Long Tunnel: To Zeehan, 26.40 tons. Mount Farrell: 21.90 tons.

MINE REPORTS

Bonanza, Beaconsfield. — November 5—The main shaft has been sunk since last report 11ft; total, 761ft. Country has been very hard.

Tasman and Crown Lyell Extended.—November 1—Extended east drive to 74ft in country; started to rise at end of this drive to see if lode is overhead. N.W. cross-cut extended 10ft through mineralised schist and splashes of galena and zinc.

Tongkah Harbor Tin Dredging, Penang.—November 5 (by cable)—Dredge was officially started by H.R.H. Prince Damrong; everything very satisfactory. Dredge will leave for Tongkah in tow at 6 a.m. Friday, 8th inst.

New Golden Gate, Mathinna.—November 2—1800ft level: East cross-cut driven 17ft 6in; total, 159ft. Country hard. West cross-cut driven 17ft 6in; total, 176ft 6in. Country in face soft and making a little water. 800ft level: Winze sunk 10ft for the week; total depth, 22ft 6in. Reef 3ft wide; value 10dwt. 700ft level: Stope producing average quantity of fair-grade stone. 600ft level: Started rise on small body of stone south, near slide. Battery crushed 72 tons of quartz and obtained 71oz of amalgam from plates and ripples.

Renison Bell North Dundas.—November 2—We have sluiced 5½ shifts at No. 2 face this week for about ten bags of tin; total tin on hand, 14 bags. Water has been rather short this week, causing us to lose half a shift. Face looking very well. Sent 40 bags of tin to Launceston last Tuesday. Have had eight men prospecting this week and have discovered a pyritic lode about 10ft wide, starting at about the middle of Mr Crase's north and south boundary line, and running north-west towards the big blow. It is carrying very good tin where exposed. An cross-cutting on the course of this lode, and so far have proved it for about four chains in length, and there is a good deal of quartz in it. We got some very good alluvial in one cross-cut, but so far have not found much payable alluvial.

Tullah, Mount Farrell.—November 2—Started driving north on lode formation on Monday, driven 10ft; total, 10ft. So far no improvement, but expect to meet with payable metal ahead. The formation consists of carbonates and quartz, carrying galena, the balance being schist, charged with metal.

Mount Farrell.—November 2—North workings: Eastern cross-cut, main ore body, extended 5ft; total, 21ft. The face is now in slate, and a little carbonate of iron, with splashes of galena. South drive Western lode extended 7ft; total, 39ft. This face has considerably improved, there being 4in of first-class ore on the foot-wall, and 2ft of milling stuff. No. 1 rise: The drive south from this is in 25ft, showing 4ft of good milling stuff, with good veins of firsts. South workings: Eastern cross-cut, main ore body extended 4ft; total, 27ft. This face is the same as last reported. North drive, western lode, extended 12ft; total, 24ft from starting point. There is about 2ft of milling stuff in the face. Ore production: Stacked about 3 tons of firsts and jigs.

Hercules, Mount Read.—November 2—Underground: No. 4 level: "D." lode, 2nd stope: Breaking good quantity of smelting sulphide from the foot-wall side, both north and south, ore broken being of a high value; considerable amount of timbering done. "D." lode, 3rd stope: Breaking good grade sulphide from the hanging-wall; have decreased production from this stope, pending the complete filling up of the open stopes below, with which work fair progress is now being made. "C." lode, 1st stope south: No progressive operations, with the exception of some filling and ore-sorting. "B." lode, 2nd stope: Have now started a bigger production from these workings; breaking fair grade sulphide ore from the north and south ends; the quantity in sight to be broken is large. "Dawson's lode": The first stopes are producing a large tonnage of ore, the values being favorable; have also completed a large amount of timbering and maintenance work. Main cross-cut east: Extended 3ft for the week, making a total of 122ft from the main north drive; only one shift of men at work. Country in face is still hard quartzite. No. 5 level: 700ft north drive extended 5ft for the week, making a total distance of 95ft from the main cross-cut; fair amount of water still coming from the face, otherwise no change to report. Surface: Inclined haulage tramway in operation, and working well, plant and material in fair order; maintenance work on the permanent way in hand; ballasting and lifting work progressing well. Open cut: Men engaged breaking mullock for filling, and removing the broken ground over the old stopes. Output for the week: 255 tons of smelting sulphide to Zeehan.

T.P.C. Mines, Cascade.—November 2—Fairly good progress has been made with the work at No. 5 for the past fortnight; the face into the hill has been extended up to the main fissure, and some fairly good quality stone broken and sent to the battery. This face looks well, although not showing so much stone as last week, it having gone underfoot; will get this later, when the open cut and tram line are deepened. Sinking the sump hole on the western end is being pushed on, and some fair quality stone has been raised from here. As soon as this work is completed, we will be able to lower the tram line, block out the whole of the open cut, and extend the different faces at a deeper level. Boiler and pumps in good order, and doing the work easily. Battery and concentrating plant all working smoothly. Clean up, 225 tons, for 15 bags of tin.

STOCKS AND SHARES

LAUNCESTON STOCK EXCHANGE.
SALES.

Gold.—New Pinafore, 6d.

Silver. — Mount Farrell, 1s 11d; Colonel North, 5d.

Miscellaneous.—Tasmanian Copper, 7s 3d; Hercules, 12s.

Tin.—Mount Bischoff, £25 5s, £25, £25 2s 6d (4 sales).

QUOTATIONS.

Gold.—Moonlight-cum-Wonder, s 6d. Tasmania, s 13s 3d. Amalgamated West Tasmania (con.), b 4d. Amalgamated West Tasmania (paid), s 1s. East Tasmania, b 3d, s 9d. New Pinafore, b 5d, s 6d. New Wyengatta, b 6d, s 1s. Scott-Pickett, s 2s 6d.

Silver.—Oonah, b 12½d, s 1s 2d. Colonel North, b 4½d, s 5d. Mount Farrell, b 1s 11d, s 2s 1d. North Mount Farrell, b 19s 9d, s 20s 6d. Murchison River (con.), b 6d, s 1s. White Hawk, s 2s. Victoria Zeehan, b 9d, s 11d. Thomas Blocks, s 3s 2d. Tullah, s 10d. Poseidon, s 1s.

Miscellaneous.—Colebrook, s 4s 2d. Curtin-Davis Proprietary, s 1s 3d. Devon, b 8½d, s 1s. Hercules, b 10s 9d, s 12s 6d. South Hercules, b 7d, s 8d. Primrose, b 6s 3d, s 7s 6d. Tasmanian Copper, b 7s 1d, s 8s. North Tasmanian Copper, b 1s 8d, s 1s 9d. Ring Valley, s 6d. Cornwall Coal, b 6s.

Tin.—Briseis, b 9s, s 10s. Mount Bischoff, b £25 2s 6d, s £25 5s. Arba, s 17s. Garibaldi, b 5d, s 8d. Pioneer, b £7, s £7 10s. Mutual Hill, b 3s, s 4s 3d. Purdue Tin Mines, s 29s. Purdue Tin Mines (paid), s 32s 6d. Mount Cleveland, s 21s. Pioneer Extended, b 2s 6d, s 3s 2d. Briseis Extended, b 85s, s 94s.

Sundry.—National Bank, s £6 17s 6d. Derwent and Tamar Insurance, b 33s 6d. Permanent Executors, b 38s.

HOBART STOCK EXCHANGE.
QUOTATIONS.

Gold.—New Golden Gate, b 18s, s 21s. New Pinafore, b 4d, s 8d. Star of the East, s 1s 3d. Tasmania, b 12s 6d, s 15s.

Miscellaneous.—Colonel North, s 6d. Mackintosh, b 2s 6d. Mount Farrell, b 1s 10d. North Mount Farrell, b 19s 6d. Oonah, b 11d. Victoria Zeehan, s 1s. British Zeehan, s 11s. Hercules, b 11s 6d, s 12s 6d. South Hercules, s 8½d. Mount Lyell, s 31s. Tasmanian Copper, b 6s 9d, s 7s 9d.

Tin.—Briseis, b 9s 3d, s 9s 9d. Briseis Extended, b £4 10s, s £5. Derwent P.A., b 1s 9d, s 2s 1d. Mount Bischoff, b £24 15s, s £25 5s. Pioneer, b £7. Arba, s 16s.

VICTORIA.
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MELBOURNE, Wednesday. — The Stock Exchange transactions in Tasmanian shares to-day were:

Copper.—Crown Lyell, b 4½d, s 5d. Mount Lyell, b 29s 7½d, s 29s 9d; sales 29s 3d, 29s 9d. Tasman and Crown Lyell Extended, b 6d, s 1s. Tasman and Crown Lyell Extended (paid), b 6d, s 8d. Tasmanian Copper, b 6s 9d, s 7s 6d.

Silver.—Curtin-Davis Proprietary, b 6d. Hercules, b 11s 6d, s 15s. Victoria Zeehan, b 9d, s 1s. Victoria Zeehan (paid), b 1s 4d.

Tin.—Mount Bischoff, b £24 10s. Briseis, b 9s 1d, s 9s 2d; sales 9s 2d. Briseis Extended, b 90s, s 94s; sales 91s, 93s. New Brothers' Home No. 1, b 5s 6d, s 6s 1d. Mount Cleveland, b 8s, s 16s. New Ruby Flat, s 9s 6d. Pioneer Extended, b 2s 6d, s 3s. South Mount Cameron, s 9s. South Mount Cameron (paid), b 8s 9d.

GREAT BRITAIN.
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LONDON, Wednesday Morning.—The quotation for bar silver is 2s 4 1-16d per ounce standard.

Copper is quoted at £64 to £64 5s spot, and £63 7s 6d to £63 12s 6d at three months. Tin, £141 5s to £141 15s spot, and £143 5s to £143 15s at three months. Lead, soft foreign, £18 5s to £18 10s.

On the Stock Exchange South Broken Hill shares are quoted b 93s 9d, s 96s 3d.

MOTOR CAR TRAFFIC.

Some Australian motorists assert that motor cars do no special damage to roads. Some idea of the actual fact is given in the report of the Kent county surveyor, Mr H. P. Maybury. "In many of the home counties," he says, "costs have gone up from 50 to 60 per cent. in three years, and are still increasing, and the surveyor has no hesitation in stating that at least £10,000 per annum of the road expenditure in Kent is now due to motor car traffic. It is estimated that in the current year (1907-1908) at least £6000 will be expended upon dust laying alone. The high speed traffic has a prejudicial effect upon the road surfaces, and as at least 60 per cent. of the cars are now fitted with armored tires, much greater damage is caused than formerly. The steel studs and bands minimise the risks of side-slip and punctures, and wear of tires at the expense of the roads. The evil is increasing, and heavy expense is being caused to road authorities in repairing the ruts caused by motor cars in an otherwise good surface. On the rural main roads (which suffer most, owing to the high speed attained in the open country) the county surveyor reports that it is impossible to keep the material tight. The chippings ordinarily used to bind the surface are lost in a few days, and nothing but tarred macadam will suffice. The cost of this additional material and the cost of tar painting to abate the dust fall at present entirely on the ratepayers of the district through which these motor cars travel."

LILYDALE.

Mr R. J. Sheriff, Lilydale, Tasmania, writes: "I have used Dr. Sheldon's New Discovery for a considerable time, and would not be without it. I think it invaluable for young children, as they take it readily, and it works wonders."

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In the following table the letters in parentheses indicate the State in which the Company is registered, thus (V.) Victoria, (E.) England; all the others are registered in Tasmania.

Last Dividend.	Name of Company.	No. of Shares.	At per Share.	Paid up to.	Last Call.
	GOLD				
—	Amal. West Tasmania	24,000	0 5 0	0 5 0	Sept., '07
—	" " "	24,000	0 5 0	0 2 11	July, '06
—	Moonlight-cum-Wonder	70,000	0 2 0	0 1 8	Sept., '05
May, '06, 6d	New Pinafore	100,000	0 7 6	0 7 0	Sept., '07
—	New Golden Gate	32,000	0 6 0	0 5 3	—
—	Tasmania (E.)	500,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	May, '07
—	East Tasmania	60,000	0 5 0	0 3 2	Mar., '07
—	Tas. Consols (E.)	15,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Volunteer Consolidated	100,000	0 3 0	0 2 8	Jan.10,'06
—	Bonanza Proprietary	2,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	North Tasmania	40,000	0 6 0	0 3 3	—
—	New River Freehold	400	10 0 0	10 0 0	—
—	" "	200	10 0 0	10 0 0	—
—	New Burn's Creek	20,000	0 2 0	0 1 0	Sept., '07
	SILVER				
Sept. 17, 3d	Oonah	106,000	0 5 0	0 3 3	Mar.15,'01
Sept., '07, 1s	Magnet	40,000	0 2 0	Nil.	—
—	North Magnet	25,000	0 5 0	0 5 0	—
—	Mackintosh	50,000	0 1 0	Nil.	—
—	Mount Farrell	50,000	0 5 0	0 3 11	Sept., '07
Sept., '07, 1s	North Mount Farrell	80,000	0 12 6	0 11 0	—
—	Farrell Blocks	50,000	0 2 0	0 2 0	—
—	Murchison River	75,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	"	50,000	1 0 0	0 9 0	Aug., '07
—	Zeehan Western (E.)	32,500	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	" "	23,757	1 0 0	0 15 0	—
—	Silver King	500	70 0 0	62 15 0	Jan.1,'07
—	Silver Queen Extended	36,000	0 6 0	0 4 4	Mar.15,'06
June, '06, 2s	Montana	80,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
July, '06, 2s 9d	Mount Zeehan (pref.)	275,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
July, '06, 9d	" " (ord.)				
May, '05, 10s	West Comet P.A.	128	3 0 0	3 0 0	Mar., '06
—	Comet	100,000	0 10 0	0 9 0	July, '04
—	Austral Valley	33,334	0 6 0	0 6 0	June, '07
—	"	66,666	0 6 0	0 6 0	—
—	Colonel North	200,000	0 15 0	0 11 2	Sept., '07
—	Curtin-Davis	182,229	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Victoria Zeehan (con.)	66,667	0 10 0	0 4 5	Oct., '07
—	" " (paid)	33,333	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	White Hawk	50,000	0 2 0	0 2 0	—
—	Ring Valley	250,000	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	South Murchison	80,000	0 2 0	0 2 0	—
—	Tullah	60,000	0 2 0	0 2 0	—
—	Poseidon	50,000	0 1 0	0 1 0	—
—	Thomas's Blocks	60,000	0 3 0	0 3 0	—
—	Lake Windermere	25,000	0 2 6	0 2 6	—
—	Round Hill	60,000	0 3 0	0 3 0	—
	TIN				
—	Weldbrook	5,000	10 0 0	6 10 0	—
—	Renison Bell	5,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
Aug., '07, 9d	Briseis (E.)	600,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
Sept., '07, 5s	Mount Bischoff	4,400	5 0 0	5 0 0	—
—	"	7,600	5 0 0	1 0 0	—
Sept., '07, 6d	New Bros. Home (V.)	60,000	1 0 0	0 14 7	—
—	Branxholm Tin Develop.	1,000	1 10 0	1 5 0	Nov., '06
—	T.P.C. Mines	24,000	0 5 0	0 4 5	Sept., '07
Feb., '06, 1s	Arba	60,000	0 8 0	0 8 0	—
Nov. 8, '05, 3d	Garibaldi	40,000	0 5 0	0 0 1½	—
—	Mount Rex	100,000	1 4 0	1 3 9	Sept., '07
Dec., '06, 2s 6d	Pioneer (V.)	30,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
od	Mayne	20,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	May, '06
—	"	10,000	1 0 0	0 10 0	—
—	North Eastern (V.)	3,000	5 0 0	5 0 0	—
—	Weir's Bischoff Surprise	40,000	0 8 0	0 5 0	—
—	North Cleveland	100	2 10 0	2 10 0	Sept., '07
—	"	100	2 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	Curtain-Cleveland	250	2 0 0	2 0 0	Sept., '07
—	"	250	2 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Wyniford (V.)	30,000	0 5 0	0 3 3	June, '06
—	W. Rock Hydraulic (V.)	3,333	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	"	6,667	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	Dorset Dredging (V.)	10,000	15 0 0	15 0 0	—
—	" "	5,000	10 0 0	—	—
Sept., '07	Gladstone (V.)	2,500	7 0 0	6 0 0	June, '07
—	South Mt. Cameron (V.)	18,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
May, '06, 5d	" "	30,000	1 0 0	0 13 4	Mar. 8,'06
Aug., '07, 6d	Gipp's Creek	5,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
Sept., '07, 1s	Wilberforce Pump, No. 1	1,000	1 0 0	Nil.	Aug., '07
—	South Arba	1,500	1 5 0	1 3 0	Aug., '07
—	Birnie's Creek	250	5 0 0	5 0 0	Mar., '07
—	Bischoff-Taylor	1,500	2 0 0	1 10 0	Sept., '07
Sept. 25, '05, 3s	Fancy Creek Sluicing	1,500	5 0 0	5 0 0	—
—	Ans. Blue Tier (ord.)	26,772	0 5 0	0 1 0	May, '07
—	" " (pref.)	28,084	0 5 0	0 1 0	—
—	Briseis Extended	2,100	20 0 0	12 0 0	Aug., '07
—	Mt. Bischoff Extended	13,000	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	Mount Stronach	24,000	1 5 0	1 1 0	June, '07
—	Mutual Hill	39,500	1 0 0	0 10 3	Oct., '07
—	Pioneer Extended	30,000	0 3 0	0 3 0	—
—	Ringarooma	3,000	7 0 0	6 10 0	June, '07
—	St. Helen's	3,000	3 0 0	2 9 0	—
June 20, 10½d	Transit	3,200	5 0 0	5 0 0	—
—	Blue Tier	5,353	5 0 0	5 0 0	—
—	Purdue Tin Mines	15,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	" "	15,000	1 0 0	0 15 0	—
—	Empress Tin Lode	640	2 0 0	2 0 0	—
—	"	640	2 0 0	1 0 0	—
June 7, 6d	New Ruby Flat (V.)	30,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Montrose	800	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Mount Cleveland	55,000	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	Main Creek (V.) (con.)	20,000	1 5 0	0 1 6	—
—	" (paid)	12,000	0 5 0	0 2 6	—
—	New Aberfoyle (S.A.)	2,700	5 0 0	5 0 0	10s
—	Storey's Creek (V.)	10,000	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	Abbotsford	24,000	0 5 0	0 5 0	June, '07
	MISCELLANEOUS				
—	Devon	60,000	0 2 6	0 1 8	May, '05
—	Primrose	50,000	0 5 0	0 5 0	—
—	Tas. Copper (E.)	225,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	" "	100,000	1 0 0	0 12 6	—
—	N. Tas. Copper	40,000	0 6 0	0 3 9	Mar., '07
—	Colebrook	95,000	0 12 0	0 11 0	Oct.10,'05
—	South Hercules	75,000	0 5 0	0 1 1	May, '07
Sept., '07, 1s	Hercules	160,000	0 2 6	0 0 6	—
Dec., '06, 2s 3d	Mount Lyell	1,300,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
Dec., '06, 6d	Lyell Blocks	300,000	1 0 0	0 19 0	—
Dec., '05, 6d	Cornwall Coal	40,000	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	Sandfly Coal	20,000	1 0 0	0 16 0	Dec.28,'05
1s	Crowl Creek (ord.)	50,000	1 0 0	0 4 0	—
1s	" (paid)	55,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Crown Lyell	160,000	1 5 0	1 1 4½	Aug., '06
—	Lyell Consols (con.)	41,505	1 0 0	0 11 3	July, '07
—	(paid)	72,500	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Tas. Cr. Lyell Ex. (con.)	100,000	0 5 0	0 0 6	Aug., '07
—	" " P.A. " (paid)	50,000	0 5 0	0 5 0	—
—	Derwent P.A.	6,000	0 4 0	0 2 0	June, '07
—	Thompson P.A.	40	10 0 0	10 0 0	Aug., '07
—	Lyell Comstock	750,800	0 4 0	0 2 3	—
—	Barnie Copper (con.)	32,000	0 20 0	0 15 0	April, '07
—	(paid)	18,000	0 20 0	0 20 0	—
—	Dunne's Mt. Read (pref.)	120,000	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
—	" " (ord.)	80,000	0 10 0	0 3 5	May, '07
—	Mount Read	150,000	0 20 0	0 18 0	—
—	Tas. Shale & Oil (S.A.)	500,000	0 20 0	0 20 0	—
	INVESTMENTS				
12 p.c., p.a.	Commercial Bank	60,000	10 0 0	8 10 0	—
6 p.c., p.a.	National Bank	32,000	7 10 0	5 0 0	—
12 p.c.	Bank of Australasia	40,000	40 0 0	40 0 0	—
10 p.c.	Union Bank	50,000	75 0 0	25 0 0	—
10 p.c., p.a.	Derwent and Tamar	50,000	2 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Emu Bay (ordin.)	250,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	" " (pref.)	100,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	" " (deben.)	200,000	5 0 0	5 0 0	—
6 p.c., p.a.	Cascade Brewery	135,000	1 1 0	0 16 0	—
25 p.c., p.a.	Tas. Woolgrowers' A'gcy	1,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
Oct., '05, 25 p.c.	" "	15,000	0 10 0	0 10 0	—
4 p.c.	Launceston Gas	5,000	10 0 0	10 0 0	—
9 p.c.	Hobart Gas	8,500	20 0 0	18 0 0	—
6 p.c.	Perpetual Trustees	10,000	5 0 0	1 0 0	—
8 p.c.	Permanent Trustees	10,000	6 0 0	1 0 0	—
8 p.c.	Union Steam	100,000	10 0 0	10 0 0	—
10 p.c.	Roberts and Co.	20,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
10 p.c.	W. T. Bell and Co.	7,000	1 0 0	0 18 0	—
—	Zeehan Tram	1,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
10 p.c.	" "	6,000	1 0 0	0 15 0	—
—	Hobart Tram	105,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
6 p.c.	Parattah Hotel	5,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
5 p.c.	Tasmanian Loan	20,000	5 0 0	2 10 0	—
Nov., '05, 12 p.c.	Colonial Mutual Fire	250,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
—	Tas. Pro. & Cool Storage	20,000	1 0 0	1 0 0	—
8 p.c.	Mutual Fire	37,500	5 0 0	1 0 0	—
6 p.c.	Hobart Brick	160	25 0 0	12 10 0	—

Note.—Moonlight-cum-Wonder, 19,114 shares in trust. New Pinafore, 3594 shares in trust. Volunteer Consolidated, about 63,000 shares held by the company. Murchison River, 24,000 shares in reserve. North Mount Farrell, about 11,257 shares in trust. Mount Rex, 39,834 shares in trust. Pioneer, 3000 shares in trust. Weir's Bischoff Surprise, 604 shares in trust. Tasmanian Copper, 465 shares forfeited. Hercules, 46,629 shares in trust. Cornwall Coal, 3747 shares in trust. Oonah, about 12,050 shares in trust. Tasmanian Woolgrowers' 15,000 shares issued at 10s and 100 at £1; 2000 are held in trust. New Burns Creek, 1560 shares in trust. Tasmanian Produce and Cool Storage Company, 6540 shares held in reserve. Zeehan Western, 3743 shares in trust. White Hawk, 10,000 shares in trust. King Farrell, 10,000 shares in trust. T.P.C. mine, 2400 shares in trust. Amalgamated West Tasmania, 5147 contributing shares in trust. Abbotsford, 3000 shares in reserve. New Ruby Flat, 5630 shares in trust. Derwent P.A., 1000 shares in reserve. Hobart Brick Co., 32 shares unissued. Tullah, 12 shares held in reserve. Montrose, 200 shares held in reserve. Mount Cleveland, 10,000 shares held in reserve. Mount Lyell Comstock, 205,000 shares in reserve. Blue Tier Amalgamated, 637 shares in reserve. Dunne's Mount Read, 60,000 shares in reserve. Main Creek (tin), 6500 shares in reserve.

Legal managers are invited to supply omissions from this list, and to send informations when alterations are needed to keep it correct.

The smallest book in the world is only half the size of a postage stamp. It is in the possession of the Earl of Dufferin, and is an edition of the sacred book of the Sikhs.

Wedding rings had formerly mottoes, or "poises" inscribed on them. Specimens are: "Love conquers all things," "Thou hast my whole heart," "Never to part," etc.

For stealing a "limerick" coupon from a newspaper in the free library, a Brixton youth has been fined 5s.

It is estimated that nearly 100,000 photographs of the Mauretania, the sister ship of the Lusitania, now lying in the Tyne, were taken during a week by visitors.

Robert Welsh was the first man to get a medal for bravery in battle. Charles I. in 1643 ordered a gold medal to be struck for him for recovering the colors at Edgehill.

"Women always take off their hats before committing suicide," the Hampstead coroner remarked recently.

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CHAPTER IX.—(Continued.)

"Oh, yes, uncle; are you a wizard or what? My headache seems to have lifted from me as one takes off a hat. The stuff you gave me——"

"Say no more about it; think no more about it. But whenever the same feeling comes over you again let me know at once. And you are not to mention this to anybody."

"But my mother and Geoffrey and ——"

"Ah, you love Geoffrey? But there is no need to ask you the question. You want to rid the house of its nameless terror; you want to be free, to marry Geoffrey and be happy. Dear child, all these things will come if you listen to me. I swear it. And now will you promise me that you will say nothing of this to a soul?"

"Dear uncle, I promise."

Ralph had grown cold and moody again. When Marion returned with her salts he slipped out of the room as callously as if he were not in the least interested. And while many anxious eyes followed Vera at breakfast time, Ralph alone was indifferent, brutally indifferent, Marion thought.

"Are you thinking of the same thing that we are?"

"No," Ralph said shortly. "I was thinking what poor bacon this is."

CHAPTER X.—A LITTLE SUNSHINE.

After luncheon, Geoffrey was leaning over the stone balustrade of the terrace waiting for Vera. Beyond a slight restlessness and extra brilliancy of the eye she was better. She had proposed a ramble along the cliffs and Geoffrey had assented eagerly.

His anxiety was fading away like the ashes of his cigarette. At first he had been inclined to imagine that Vera's ind